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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims (deleted text being struck through and added text being underlined):

1. [Currently Amended] A method of generating a persistent usage context, comprising:
monitoring usage of resources of an information handling system;
generating a first representation corresponding to a first item of usage;
generating a second representation corresponding to a second item of usage;
communicating an association of the first representation to the second representation so as to enable a determination of at least one of prior usage and current usage of resources of the ~~an~~ information handling system.

2. [Original] The method as described in claim 1, further comprising storing the first representation and second representation.

3. [Original] The method as described in claim 2, wherein at least one of the first stored representation and second representation may be accessed after termination of at least one of the first item of usage and the second item of usage.

4. [Original] The method as described in claim 1, wherein at least one of the first representation and second representation is capable of accessing at least one of a first item of usage and second item of usage.

5. [Original] The method as described in claim 1, wherein at least one of the first representation and second representation is interactive with at least one of the first item of usage and the second item of usage.

6. [Original] The method as described in claim 1, wherein the first representation includes as a part thereof the second representation.

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7. [Original] The method as described in claim 1, wherein the association includes at least one of chronological mapping, organization scheme, spatial relationship, shared usage, and term of usage.

8. [Original] The method as described in claim 1, further comprising the step of searching data relating to at least one of the first representation and second representation.

9. [Original] The method as described in claim 8, wherein the search is performed by at least one of type, topic, size, time taken for usage, time usage performed, user defined criteria, and name.

10. [Original] The method as described in claim 1, wherein at least one of the first item of usage and second item of usage includes at least one of browsing the World Wide Web, printing, scanning for viruses, word processing, utilizing spreadsheets, utilizing a database, enabling an operating system, accessing a network, network applications, graphics usage, utilization of devices, and data manipulation.

11. [Currently Amended] A medium readable by an information handling system and containing a program of instructions causing the information handling system to execute steps for generating a persistent usage context, the steps comprising:
monitoring usage of resources of an information handling system;
generating a first representation corresponding to a first item of usage;
generating a second representation corresponding to a second item of usage;
communicating an association of the first representation to the second representation so as to enable a determination of at least one of prior usage and current usage of resources of an information handling system;
wherein the resources of which the usage is monitored comprises devices coupled internally of the information handling system, devices coupled to the information handling system peripherally of the information handling

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system, devices coupled to the information handling system over a network, and other information handling systems coupled to the information handling system.

12. [Previously Presented] The medium containing a program of instructions as described in claim 11, the program of instructions for causing the information handling system to execute steps further comprising storing the first representation and second representation.

13. [Previously Presented] The medium containing a program of instructions as described in claim 12, wherein at least one of the first stored representation and second representation generated by the information handling system may be accessed after termination of at least one of the first item of usage and the second item of usage.

14. [Previously Presented] The medium containing a program of instructions as described in claim 11, wherein at least one of the first representation and second representation generated by the information handling system is capable of accessing at least one of a first item of usage and second item of usage.

15. [Previously Presented] The medium containing a program of instructions as described in claim 11, wherein at least one of the first representation and second representation generated by the information handling system is interactive with at least one of the first item of usage and the second item of usage.

16. [Previously Presented] The medium containing a program of instructions as described in claim 11, wherein the first representation generated by the information handling system includes as a part thereof the second representation.

17. [Previously Presented] The medium containing a program of instructions as described in claim 11, wherein the association communicated

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by the information handling system includes at least one of chronological mapping, organization scheme, spatial relationship, shared usage, and term of usage.

18. [Previously Presented] The medium containing a program of instructions as described in claim 11, the program of instructions for causing the information handling system to execute steps further comprising the step of searching data relating to at least one of the first representation and second representation.

19. [Previously Presented] The medium containing a program of instructions as described in claim 18, wherein the search by the information handling system is performed by at least one of type, topic, size, time taken for usage, time usage performed, user defined criteria, and name.

20. [Previously Presented] The medium containing a program of instructions as described in claim 11 wherein at least one of the first item of usage and the second item of usage monitored by the information handling system includes at least one of browsing the World Wide Web, printing, scanning for viruses, word processing, utilizing spreadsheets, utilizing a database, enabling an operating system, accessing a network, network applications, graphics usage, utilization of devices, and data manipulation.

21. [Currently Amended] An information handling system for generating a persistent usage context, comprising:
a processor for executing a program of instructions on the information handling system;
a memory coupled to the processor for storing the program of instructions executable by said processor; and
an input and output system coupled to the processor for coupling the information handling system to a network wherein the program of instructions configures the information handling system to monitor usage of resources of the ~~an~~ information handling system;

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generate a first representation corresponding to a first item of usage;
generate a second representation corresponding to a second item of
usage;

communicate an association of the first representation to the second
representation so as to enable a determination of at least one of
prior usage and current usage of resources of the ~~an~~ information
handling system;

wherein the resources of which the usage is monitored comprises
devices coupled internally of the information handling system,
devices coupled to the information handling system peripherally of
the information handling system, devices coupled to the
information handling system over a network, and other information
handling systems coupled to the information handling system.

22. [Original] The information handling system as described in claim
21, further comprising storing the first representation and second
representation.

23. [Original] The information handling system as described in claim
22, wherein at least one of the first stored representation and second
representation may be accessed after termination of at least one of the first
item of usage and the second item of usage.

24. [Original] The information handling system as described in claim
21, wherein at least one of the first representation and second representation
is capable of accessing at least one of a first item of usage and second item
of usage.

25. [Original] The information handling system as described in claim
21, wherein at least one of the first representation and second representation
is interactive with at least one of the first item of usage and the second item
of usage.

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26. [Original] The information handling system as described in claim 21, wherein the first representation includes as a part thereof the second representation.

27. [Original] The information handling system as described in claim 21, wherein the association includes at least one of chronological mapping, organization scheme, spatial relationship, shared usage, and term of usage.

28. [Original] The information handling system as described in claim 21, further comprising the step of searching data relating to at least one of the first representation and second representation.

29. [Original] The information handling system as described in claim 28, wherein the search is performed by at least one of type, topic, size, time taken for usage, time usage performed, user defined criteria, and name.

30. [Original] The information handling system as described in claim 21, wherein at least one of the first item of usage and second item of usage includes at least one of browsing the World Wide Web, printing, scanning for viruses, word processing, utilizing spreadsheets, utilizing a database, enabling an operating system, accessing a network, network applications, graphics usage, utilization of devices, and data manipulation.

31. [Currently Amended] An information handling system for generating a persistent usage context, comprising:
a processor for executing a program of instructions on the information handling system;
a memory coupled to the processor for storing the program of instructions executable by said processor; and
an input and output system coupled to the processor for coupling the information handling system to a network wherein the program of instructions configures the information handling system to include

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means for monitoring usage of resources of the an information handling system;
means for generating a first representation corresponding to a first item of usage;
means for generating a second representation corresponding to a second item of usage;
means for communicating an association of the first representation to the second representation so as to enable a determination of at least one of prior usage and current usage of resources of the an information handling system;
wherein the resources of which the usage is monitored comprises devices coupled internally of the information handling system, devices coupled to the information handling system peripherally of the information handling system, devices coupled to the information handling system over a network, and other information handling systems coupled to the information handling system.

32. [Original] The information handling system as described in claim 31, further comprising means for storing the first representation and second representation.

33. [Original] The information handling system as described in claim 32, wherein at least one of the first stored representation and second representation may be accessed after termination of at least one of the first item of usage and the second item of usage.

34. [Original] The information handling system as described in claim 31, wherein at least one of the first representation and second representation is capable of accessing at least one of a first item of usage and second item of usage.

35. [Original] The information handling system as described in claim 31, wherein at least one of the first representation and second representation

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is interactive with at least one of the first item of usage and the second item of usage.

36. [Original] The information handling system as described in claim 31, wherein the first representation includes as a part thereof the second representation.

37. [Original] The information handling system as described in claim 31, wherein the association includes at least one of chronological mapping, organization scheme, spatial relationship, shared usage, and term of usage.

38. [Original] The information handling system as described in claim 31, further comprising the step of searching data relating to at least one of the first representation and second representation.

39. [Original] The information handling system as described in claim 38, wherein the search is performed by at least one of type, topic, size, time taken for usage, time usage performed, user defined criteria, and name.

40. [Original] The information handling system as described in claim 31, wherein at least one of the first item of usage and second item of usage includes at least one of browsing the World Wide Web, printing, scanning for viruses, word processing, utilizing spreadsheets, utilizing a database, enabling an operating system, accessing a network, network applications, graphics usage, utilization of devices, and data manipulation.

41. - 47. [Canceled]

48. [New] The method as described in claim 1, wherein the resources of which the usage is monitored comprises devices coupled internally of the information handling system, devices coupled to the information handling system peripherally of the information handling system, devices coupled to the information handling system over a network, and other information handling systems coupled to the information handling system.